From the Daily Graphic. Recruiting for the War in Indiana.

I am here in Terre Haute, Ind .- between Sangamon County, Ill., and Paducah, Ky. On the south is Egypt, Ill. The room where I now write once resounded with the eloquence of Abraham Lincoln. To-morrow a Chicago drummer will occupy it to sell sheep clodings. It is a shame-a national shamethat a room once occupied by Abraham Lincoln and myself should ever echo to the rafficking voice of a commercial traveler. I saw them using Mr. Lincoln, s two-hupdred-thousand-dollar monument over in Springfield as a profane theatrical bill-board. a minstrel troppe on it.

"Go, base imitation negro! leave this sa cred monument" I said; but he kept on past ing the bill, as he remarked, "If Mr. Lincoln was alive, Judge, he would be the last man to object to a poor negro minstrel pasting a few hand-bills on his monument."

Yesterday when I arrived in Terre Hant to stay over Sunday, I registered my name "Colonel Eli Perkins." My arrival caused a great excitement. It was understood that I was going to open a recruiting office for the Cuban war. All the old soldiers here who don't hold lucrative offices in the "Granges" are enthusiastic for war. good many rebel soldiers have come over the river from Kentucky to live in Terre-Hante. They are for war, too. They have all desired to be colonels or generals except one man, who said his heart throbbed so for the Stars and Stripes that he was willing to take a sutlership. I have telegraphed General Grant that Terre Haute alone can supply 1,100 officers and all that the Government will have to do will be to appoint a few pri-

Colonel Gapin says he is ready to fly arms. He has probably flown before this He says his heart burns for the American Engle, and he can hardly keep from rushing on to New York, where he can be first to say "good-by" to the brave Cuban patriots.

Adjutant Sterne says he fought all through the late war, sometimes on one side and sometimes on the other, and, rather than see America kneeling at the feet of Spain, he would gladly welcome war-war to the knife-and accept a paymastership. He is so enthusiastic for the cause that, in case of no vacancy in our army, he has telegraphed for a place on the staff of a Spanish general.

This afternoon we all assembled in the vessel, aided by wind and steam, was dash-Square to drill-nine hundred Union offi- ing on, nearing every second the entrance cers, two hundred rebel officers, and several to the bay, when suddenly the startled passutlers and quartermasters. We all agreed sengers heard a wild scream, saw a flash with Alex. Stephens that a foreign war of white garments, a splash, and then the would heal domestic troubles -cement us wild cry of some one overboard. The steamtogether. This is why I lend my influence er was stopped, the boats lowered, and after to war. I am anxious to heal up our nation- an hour,s search the body of the poor woal wounds-anxious to put my arms around man was recovered and brought on board." my Southern brother and sell him some , more drygoods.

As the patriots came out they brought their old battle flags with them. Our off- N. cers brought out the battle banners which they had carried all through the late war. As they shook out the folds we saw inscribed on them "Gettysburg," "Lookout Mountain," "Antietam," "Spottsylvania Court-House," and "Vicksburg." The rebels pulled out their flags and unwound the inscriptions "Ball's Bluff," "Bull Run," "Seven Oaks," and "Red River." When our fellows saw this they didn't "cement" -they didn't "heal" to any alarming extent. They said they didn't enjoy looking at battles where they got licked, got wounded and captured, and cut up generally. . The rebels said they didn't want to fight under any such inscriptions as "Antietam" and "Vicksburg," and one fellow said if we didn't take the cursed Yankee rags away they'd charge us out of the square. This made our fellows forget all about "cementing" and " healing", and instead, in ten minutes we had a little one-horse rebellion on our hands. As usual, I was first in battle-coming towards the hotel.

And now, Mr. Editor, I don't see how we are going to "cement" and "heal" much-I don't see how we are going to get the rebels to help us much in the Spanish fight till we get our flags changed-till we carry out Mr. Sumner's ideas. At least I've postponed my recruiting office in Terre Haute till we get a sort of general flag to fight under What do you think of it?

An Extraordinary Phenomenon.

On the 23d of October, Woolwich, England, experienced a sudden and almost un- BLOOMFIELD, N. J. exampled visitation of darkness. The morning had been wet and gloomy throughout, but at 1 P. M. the sky was overcast with a pall, which seemed to obscure every vestige of light from above. The darkness was that of a London fog, for vistas of lighted windows could be seen for a long distance. It was rather the darkness of midnight, but there was a reddish tint in the sky like that occasioned by a great fire. The atmosphere was very heavy and oppressive. The rain had ceased, and the wind, which had been blowing from the Southwest, entirely abated. The effect was dismal in the extreme. Nervous people encouraged the most dread forebodings; more reasonable ones attributed thre darkness to an eclipse of the sun, but found no confirmation in the almanac. Fowls went to roost, pigeons and other birds stopped their flight to seek the nearest shelter, and every living thing seemed impressed by BLANKETS, the scene. The period of intense gloom lasted about five minutes, when light gradnally broke in from the West, and in an hour afterward there was brilliant sunshine.

The Bitter End.

A passenger by the Australia tells of a married pair "appearing on shipboard at the moment the gangway plank was being pulled in at the dock in New York. A stateroom had been procured in some mysterious manner and huge trunks followed, but the owners came last, and the captain was somewhat puzzled to find that the name on the passenger list and the occupants of the stateroom were not the same. After the ship, however, lost sight of land, the captain was taken into the confidence of the gentleman and told of an elopement. The groom was a man about forty years of age, a foreigner Alas! we live in evil times. Only yesterday and a count, with a coal black moustache on his face, and a castle on the Rhine. He had the hard, handsome face common to Mississippi gamblers, and dressed himself in They were posting the yellow hand-bills of the same gorgeous style. The bride without being handsome, had large, winning blue eyes, that in their helpless, confiding sort of expression, won the sympathy of all on board. The Count treated his bride with elaborate courtesy, always getting out of the way when the poor thing suffered from sea-sickness and after expressing his concern for madam in the choicest phrase. He expressed himself ennuied terribly with the monotony of the sea, and tried hard to inveigle certain gentlemen into games of chance, only to pass the time however. He was strongly averse to gambling. At the end of the voyage the pair dissappeared, and the two fugitives were heard of no more until months after when the Australia was on her way back to New York, when the kind-hearted captain learned that a woman traveling alone, was very ill in the steerige. Seeking her with the ship's physician, he was astonished to find in the sick steerage passenger the Count's bride of a few months before. He vacated his state-room to the poor woman in her faded finery, and little by little he learned her story. It was the old, old story of offended parents and a cruel husband, who finding a helpless wife, without money, on his hands

> lected on deck saw the poor creature, with little remaining of her former self but the wistful confiding look of her large blue eyes, that from out the pale, sunken face seemed larger than ever. Those who watched her more closely saw at times a wild gleam in them, as if for a second her poor, numbed faculties were unbinged and crazy. The

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